

Whereas, Dr. Brian L. Kaatz is retiring from his position as Dean and Professor, School of Health Sciences, University of South Dakota, and after 22 years as Dean and Professor at the University of South Dakota and South Dakota State University, he is deserving of special recognition and public commendation; and,

Whereas, Dr. Kaatz received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 1977 from the University of Minnesota, and has worked as a professional pharmacist in Minnesota and South Dakota for nearly 40 years, receiving numerous professional awards, including Excellence in Pharmacy and Distinguished Service Award from the South Dakota Pharmacists' Association; and,

Whereas, As a scholar, Dr. Kaatz has published dozens of scientific papers and articles on health care and pharmacy in highly regarded national and international journals and has given numerous presentations on health care, pharmacy policies and practices to state, regional, and national professional associations; and,

Whereas, South Dakota health care policy and practices have been shaped by Dr. Brian L. Kaatz through his numerous professional memberships and engagement in policy development, including service as a Bush Fellow and Senior Health Care Policy Fellow with the office of United States Senator Tim Johnson; and,

Whereas, The School of Health Sciences at the University of South Dakota has grown tremendously under the leadership of Dr. Kaatz with nationally recognized academic and professional programs in Alcohol and Drug Studies, Dental Hygiene, Health Sciences Major, Medical Laboratory Science, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physician Assistant Studies, and Social Work; and,

Whereas, Dr. Kaatz is an outstanding citizen of the community who has supported many civic and humanitarian programs by mentoring youth, fostering children, building relationships by teaching chess to elementary students, and contributing substantially to local foundations; and,

Whereas, Dr. Brian L. Kaatz has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues after a four-decade career of tireless work and commitment to the health and well-being of the people of South Dakota; and

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 21, 2011, as

## DR. BRIAN L. KAATZ DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Judy a. Larson Elec. asst.

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State